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1. EMBASSY HAS FOR SEVERAL DAYS BEEN ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN A CLEAR IDEA FROM IRISH FINANCE MINISTER RICHIE RYAN OF WHAT HE PROPOSES TO DISCUSS WITH TREASURY SECRETARY SIMON DURING THEIR MEETING WHICH WE UNDERSTAND WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT WEEK IN WASHINGTON. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM CHARLES MURRAY, SECRETARY OF FINANCE, WHICH INDICATES THAT THINKING ON THE AGENDA IS STILL AS NEBULOUS AS INDICATED IN REFTEL. MURRAY, NEVERTHELESS, ASKS FOR EARLY CONFIRMATION THAT RYAN'S PROPOSED TOPICS OF CONVERSATION ARE ACCEPTABLE TO SECRETARY SIMON.

2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MURRAY'S APRIL 28 LETTER TO EMBASSY:

"I REFER TO OUR RECENT TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND THE UNITED STATES ON THE ECONOMIC SITUATION.

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THINKING TO DATE IN THE COMMUNITY SUGGESTS THAT THE DIALOGUE SHOULD BE CONCERNED WITH:-

- THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SITUATION

- THE MEASURES INTRODUCED IN SOME COUNTRIES TO STIMULATE ECONOMIC RECOVERY

I WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE EARLY CONFIRMATION THAT IT IS ACCEPTABLE TO MR. SIMON THAT THE TALKS SHOULD CENTRE ON THESE AREAS."

3. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY'S REPLY (APRIL 29) TO MURRAY:

"THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF 28 APRIL AND THE SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR THE FORTHCOMING MEETING BETWEEN MINISTER RYAN AND SECRETARY SIMON. I WILL BE PLEASED TO TRANSMIT THESE SUGGESTIONS TO WASHINGTON ALONG WITH A REQUEST FOR EARLY CONFIRMATION THAT IT IS ACCEPTABLE TO SECRETARY SIMON THAT THE TALKS SHOULD CENTER ON THESE TOPICS.

I WOULD BE PLEASED IF YOU WOULD CALL MINISTER RYAN'S ATTENTION TO OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT OTHER HIGH LEVEL ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS IN OTHER AGENCIES DEALING WITH INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS WOULD WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH HIM. THE OFFICIALS WHO ARE VERY MUCH INVOLVED IN CURRENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS WOULD, I AM SURE, BE PLEASED TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH A COMMUNITY OFFICIAL OF MINISTER RYAN'S STATURE AND EXPERIENCE. IF THE MINISTER IS AGREEABLE TO THIS SUGGESTION, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR LETTING ME KNOW IN ORDER THAT WE, IN COORDINATION WITH YOUR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, MAY MAKE SUITABLE APPOINTMENTS. I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU AS SOON AS I RECEIVE CONFIRMATION FROM WASHINGTON THAT THE PROPOSED TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION ARE ACCEPTABLE."

4. DEPARTMENT WILL NOTE THAT WE HAVE PROPOSED THAT RYAN MEET WITH OTHER ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS DURING HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON. WHILE WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED ANY REACTION TO THIS PROPOSAL, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH CONSULT WITH IRISH EMBASSY AND MAKE UNCLASSIFIED

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TENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS SUBJECT TO RYAN'S CONCURRENCE. IF WE CAN GO BACK TO RYAN AT AN EARLY DATE WITH SOME FIRM SUGGESTIONS WE MAY BE ABLE TO COMMIT HIM TO MEETINGS BEFORE HIS SCHEDULE IS FILLED.
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